## Families Making the Connection

**Child Hunger Does Not Take** a Summer Vacation

Across the nation one in five children struggle with food insecurity, not knowing when and where their next meal is coming from. In North Carolina, one in four children is at risk of hunger. These children may not have access to enough food or to healthy foods, such as fruits and vegetables. Hunger affects children's ability to learn. It can also put kids at risk for illness and other health issues. Learn more at http://nc.nokidhungry.org.

Many students depend on school meals. What happens when school lets out? Summer Nutrition Programs help fill that gap. These programs make sure that children can get the nutritious meals they need. All children 18 and under can receive free summer meals. No registration or ID is required.

## What can you do?

- Find nearby summer meals:
  - 1. Text "FOODNC" to 877-877.
  - 2. Call 1.866.3HUNGRY (1.866.348.6479).
  - 3. Visit www.whyhunger.org/findfood.
- Host a Summer Nutrition Program at your organization's or congregation's facility. Learn more at www.whyhunger.org/findfood.
- Volunteer for a Summer Nutrition Program in your area. You might help by transporting food or setting up or cleaning up a site. You could plan educational or recreational activities for the children. Go to www.serve.gov/endhunger to volunteer.

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- National Dairy Month
- National Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Month
- Turkey Lovers Month
- National Eat Your Vegetables Day



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